



|  |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|--|----|--|---|---|---|-------------------------|---|----|----------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------------|----|
| FORM PTO-1449  |    | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE<br>PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE |   | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 1945 P2/USA/SILICON |   | SERIAL NO<br>09/362 924 |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| <b>LIST OF ART CITED BY APPLICANT</b><br>(Use several sheets if necessary)   |    |  |   | APPLICANT Chow, et al                   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  |    |  |   | FILING DATE 07/27/99                    |   | GROUP 1746              |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| <b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>   |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| Examiner Initial   |    | DOCKET NUMBER  |   |   |   |                         |   |    | DATE     | NAME                              | CLASS                   | SUBCLASS | FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE |    |
| <i>AW</i>  | AA | 5  | 7 | 0                                       | 0 | 7                       | 4 | 1  | 12/23/97 | Liao                              | 438                     | 723      |                            |    |
| <i>AW</i>  | AB | 6  | 0 | 9                                       | 0 | 7                       | 1 | 8  | 07/18/00 | <del>Wang et al</del> Soga et al. | 438                     | 714      |                            |    |
|  | AC |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AD |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AE |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AF |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AG |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AH |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AI |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| <b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>  |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  |    | DOCKET NUMBER  |   |   |   |                         |   |    | DATE     | COUNTRY                           | CLASS                   | SUBCLASS | TRANSLATION                |    |
|  |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          | YES                        | NO |
| <i>AW</i>  | AJ | 0  | 1 | 0                                       | 5 | 0                       | 4 | 27 | 02/27/89 | Japan                             |                         |          | (x)<br>Abstract only       |    |
| <i>AW</i>  | AK | 1  | 0 | 2                                       | 3 | 3                       | 8 | 7  | 09/02/98 | Japan                             |                         |          |                            | x  |
| <i>AW</i>  | AL | 0  | 7 | 0                                       | 9 | 8                       | 7 | 7  | 05/01/96 | EP                                |                         |          | x                          |    |
|  | AM |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AN |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| <b>OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)</b>  |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| <i>AW</i>  | AO | PCT Search Report dated 11/8/00.                           |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AP |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
|  | AQ |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |
| EXAMINER <i>Allen C. Goe</i>   |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   | DATE CONSIDERED 5/21/01 |          |                            |    |
| EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. |    |  |   |   |   |                         |   |    |          |                                   |                         |          |                            |    |